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HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to introduce more Vaccines under the National Immunisation Programme;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by which the same will be introduced?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SMT. PANABAKA LAKSHMI)

(a) to (c) Yes sir, Bacille Calmettee-Guerin (BCG), (Diphtheria, Pertussis, Tetanus) DPT, (Oral Polio Vaccine) OPV and Measles vaccines are provided under the National Immunization Programme. Following vaccines are in the process of introduction.

i. Hepatitis −B vaccination started in 15 Cities and 33 districts in the year 2002-06, on pilot basis. It has now been decided to expand to 11 better performing States based on evaluated survey of DPT Booster dose above 80% and likely to start by last quarter of this year.

ii. JE-Vaccination campaign in 11 high-risk districts in four states (Uttar Pradesh, West Bengal, Karnataka & Assam) has been started in 2006 followed by integration of the JE vaccine in the Routine Immunization with the same districts.